Petroleum on Trees and Bushes.

Dr. H. Gibbons, at a recent meeting of the California Academy of Science, bear. •aid that since he put petroleum on the trees in his garden they had grown better and faster than ever before, and given better roses than before. The petroleum seems to kill the scale insect. in sheep husbandry. The handsomest rose he exhibited was a short time before. The petroleum was mixed with castor oil. It is applied sparingly, and great care is taken that it does not run down the roots. Perhaps in a crude state the petroleum would be bad, even on the stalks; but mixed with castor oil it appears to be advantageous to the plant.

Value of Bones and Bone-Ash.

and burned, or very dry, old weather- feed. beaten bones, consists in the nitrogen of the former. This varies in proportion to the quantity of gelatine in them. Raw bones contain at the most forty-five per cent. of organic matter, in which there is on the average seven per cent. of water and four per cent. of nitrogen, equivalent to four and three-quarter per cent. of ammonia. The ammonia in 100 pounds of bone is worth about one dollar, while the twenty-five pounds of phosphoric acid is worth \$2.50. The former is all lost in burning the bone, but the latter is all saved. and in an excellent condition for use as a fertilizer. If it will cost more the bone will be paid for by the potash liberal supply of salt before farrowing. water, and the day I saved in the ashes. Bones are very A branch of farm labor specially was a pullin' along and I see some hard and tough, and it would cost at ladapted to a warm winter is that of least \$20 a ton to grind them, countdrawing stones. All stones that are ing it might be a mackerel I looked potash and quicklime are used to soften and men are not busy. and reduce them the cost will be very small, and the whole of the nitrogen will be saved in the valuable fertilizer

It is quite as important to fatten and

market economically the animal prod-A pound of beef, pork or poultry can be made much cheaper in September

he seldom fails to root slips of the most tender and rare plants. He credits his the cod fishermen. Up the Georges when a larger part of the rations must the usual layer of sand in which the dor's the best place for squid. There go to keep up animal heat. There is slips are planted. When moistened they salt em daown by the thousand, no sleight of hand in laying fat upon they act as a stimulant and feeder to and sometimes they strike a big feller an animal's carcass. It must come out the tender roots of the slip. of good honest food in the rations fed. The preservation of straw for feeding seventy feet long—regular old-timers. especially sweet corn, an excel- put under shelter, as it rots easily. lent article in the stye, to be fed in will grow so fast that one can afford min. once in a day, to see the fat accumuthey are going to kill i. November. The Thanksgiving market is pretty sure to be a good one, and brings ready cash. with Indian meal and hot water make an excellent feed for turkeys and other poultry. This favors growth, as well as fattening. The rations of corn and other grain, unground, may be reserved to the last few weeks of life. Turkeys should have their liberty all through the extra feeding. Some poultrymen shut up their geese and ducks, but we doubt the economy of this method. With a good run they will have a greater variety of food and thrive better with an access to a pasture with pond or brook, while they are receiving full feed for market. All that the

a good rule for the last month of feed-Potato Culture. The following is from a Quebec cor- ter this extra labor will pay. respondent of the American Cultivator: Last season I made the following experiment with potatoes planted on sod ground, manured with a moderate dressing of seven cords to the of butter, one of flour and ten eggs; acre of cow stable manure, spread on bake in a dripping-pan one inch in the surface and harrowed in. The rows were three feet apart, and hills eighteen inches apart in the rows. I seeded with one eye to a piece and one seed end of the potato, which contains more than one eye, and which I consider the poorest piece of the potato. If any portion of the potato is discarded should be the seed end. An eve from that portion of the potato next to the center, or from the center itself, is preferable to a piece containing many eyes all bundled together. I esteem the above method of seeding as batter, the longer the better, till they the best, although it is different from are nice and light; keep hot. This the practice of our fathers, who planted seed ends only. Instances are recorded great improvement. Monday, baked the back of its head it was ejectin this latter named practice where as potatoes in their jackets. Tuesday, many as fourteen bushels of such seed peel and bake with roast beef. Wedneswere used on an acre of ground and a yield of but 100 bushels secured, even peel, steam and serve whole. Friday, where the other conditions were all favorable to a good crop. In potato thin slices lengthwise, sprinkle with culture the seed should be sufficient to pepper and salt and fry in butter, turnfeed and support the sprouts until they can secure their sustenance from other sources. Calculating at the rate of one on through as many days more in as the graphel of their boat, the sharp eye or piece to each hill and 9,680 hills many different ways, ad libitum. to the acre, and there will be required a poor test of average yields, and bread fried in butter.

FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD. what injured by frost just as it was the two eggs which you reserved at The easiest way to increase roses is commence to come up, thereby cover- the tarts. by layering. When the flowering sea- ing and protecting the young vines son is over a branch may be half cut from the ill effects of the late spring through in a sloping direction, and the frosts. In my experimenting I esticut portion laid and pegged down and mate 102 heaping bushels of manure to covered with soil, or it may be pressed represent a cord, and for convenience's with a cloth and wipe dry. down into a pot, and when it is rooted sake say 100 bushels to the cord. An the layer is severed from the original ordinary ox cart or two-horse wagon grease obtained by frying sweet salt plant. In this way one plant may will contain thirty-four bushels, or at pork. furnish half a dozen layers in one sea- the rate of three such loads to the cord. son, and so on for a few years, and The present season I shall spread the third year the original dozen may twenty two-horse loads of cow stable be increased more than a hundred manure to each acre of ground devoted to the potato crop.

Farm and Garden Notes. Don't allow your fruit trees to over-

Grindstones and elbow-grease will

Good feeding is the secret of success Hens that are molting should have from a bush which looked nearly dead a proportion of bone meal in their food. Manure on all lands, and grass land particularly, should be spread as even as if you were sowing grain.

The wastes of the cornfields make a good bite for the cows and pigs, and they should be turned into milk and

to the pigs. Boiled, and mixed with bake in gem pans in a hot oven. The difference in value between raw | meal while boiling hot, they make good

> Clover requires little handling in curing, and should be cured as much in the shade or cock as possible. Cut as interesting talk with a fisherman at soon as a third of the heads are in full Biddeford Pool, Me. Discussing about

> of milk unless she is highly fed. She wouldn't think, noaw, to look at one, produces nothing except what she de that they was dangerous, would ye? rives from that given her by the But I came near losin' my eyes once

The value of poultry in the United States amounts to over \$300,000,000. read about, that was used before they This large sum would be increased if discovered Ingy ink. Naow that bag, poultry received the same attention as continued the demonstrator, pointing is bestowed on sheep, cattle or horses. out the places on the animal with a When sows eat their young it denotes with the funnel that shoots 'em along, than this dollar to grind the bone fine that the wants of the system have not and when a fish chases 'em, they let fly enough for use, a saving is made by losing the nitrogen, as the burning of losing the nitrogen as the losing the nitrogen as the losing the nitrogen as the losing the nitroge

ing the cost of the machinery, if the not frozen in, unsightly stone piles or over, and kerwish! I got four or five quantity is small. But if sulphate of walls should be removed while teams streams of ink right square in the face.

The action of plaster is so peculiar by lightnen, and the fact on it was that that it can never be depended on as a I hed to hail one of the men near me staple fertilizer. Still it is generally to tow me in like an old wreck. The so beneficial and cheap that it is usu- sawbones said I'd have a time, and so ally advisable to sow it as an auxiliary I did, and I can't forgive him yet for at the rate of 100 pounds per acre on prophesyin' of it. How fur? Wall, all broad-leaved plants.

success to a layer of oats placed under and round Newfoundland and Labra-

The temperature in the latter part of purposes is very important. It is best summer and early autumn is in favor secured at or immediately after threshof the best use of all the fattening ar- ing time. The chaff, especially of as ticles of food, while there is enough of wheat straw, is most valuable, and as old Captain Sam says, as a gale from green food to sharpen the appetite and should, so far as possible, be distributed good digestion. We through the stack. That which is left found green cornstalks, in rear of the straw carrier should be pull and haul, and they're such fierce-

The use of tarred paper or roofing connection with corn on the cob, and felt in the poultry-house has been cornmeal and other rations. We generally approved by those who have have never seen pork made more used it as a protector and preventive rapidly than with this kind of feeding. of vermin. The felt, after remaining It will be safe to feed all that the on a few days and becoming hardened swine will eat up clean, and no more. and comparatively dry, may be white-Slack up the feed a little when any washed without detracting in any thing is left in the trough. This will great degree from the strong odor require a little attention, but the pigs which it is claimed keeps off the ver-

to linger by the stye a few minutes, Some farmers think that a cow must late. Corn is high this season, and we stall. It is poor economy which puts times breakin' in ten fathoms; but we want to make the best use of it. The fresh hay into a manger on top of got in and all to once a sea put us right best poultrymen we know begin to older hay. A little tossing of the hay along side of it, aboaut the wust-lookgive extra feed in September, when left in the manger will dry it and make ing thing you ever saw. The body his hav and vet when it was tossed The small potatoes boiled and mixed and stirred up, or even taken out and

fattening animals will eat up clean is put in each. In this way the grain and overboard; squid, boat and we—all the straw is to be fed to stock this win- in, and we stamped the squid to death.

PYRAMID POUND CAKE .- One pound of white pulverized sugar, one pound thickness; cut when cold into pieces three and a half inches long by two wide, and frost tops and sides; form on the cake-stand in pyramid before piece to a hill, except in case of the the icing is quite dry by laying first in a circle five pieces with some space between them; over the spaces between these lay five other pieces, gradually drawing in the column, and crowning the top with a bouquet of flowers.

POTATOES IN SEVEN WAYS .- Sunday, peel, steam, mash, and milk, butter and salt, and then beat like cakeday, fried raw potatoes. Thursday, potatoes a la pancake," peel, cut in ing like griddle cakes. Saturday, potatoes boiled in their jackets. And so

TOMATO Sour .- Take eight mid- sank into the soft body. To the grapabout five bushels of early rose potatoes dling-sized tomatoes, cut them in two, nel they had attached a strong rope, to plant an acre. A variety with a less remove the pips and watery substance, which they carried ashore and fastened number of eyes, like the mammoth put them in the saucepan with a faggot to a tree, so as to prevent the fish going pearl, would require eight bushels for of sweet herbs, a clove of garlic, an out with the tide. At length it became the proper planting of an acre. In my onion stuck with three or four cloves, exhausted, and as the water went down experiments I had one variety so smooth some allspice, whole pepper and salt to it died. It was the largest specimen and destitute of eyes, the few that ex- taste. Place the saucepan on a gentle ever taken, the body alone measuring isted being scarcely distinguishable, that fire, stirring the contents occasionally. twenty feet from the beak to the exonly seventy-five per cent. of the seed When the tomatoes are thoroughly tremity of the tail; one of the arms sprouted and produced vines or haulms. done, turn them out on a hair sieve, re- was thirty-five feet long. Planted side, by side, and treated in move the onion, the garlic and the fagevery way alike, the varieties named got of sweet herbs; remove also the below gave the following yields per moisture which will drip from the toacre by actual weights of sorted pota- matoes, then work them through the toes: Early rose, 101 bushels per acre; sieve until nothing remains on the top remarks that the mania for gambling, early Vermont, 63 bushels; Orange but the skins. Have a quart of plain now so common in New York, Chicago County white, 126 bushels; ruby, 76, stock boiling hot, stir the tomato pulp and other American cities, is an evil Davis from Dakota, 95, and beauty of into it, and, removing the saucepan which it seems almost impossible to

again, the supply of manure was insufficient for the best results, yet the profor tarts is made of the whites of one Stock Exchange the yearly sales foot portion of the yield of some of the new egg and the yolks of three, one ounce up nearly \$1,000,000,000. Last year, varieties is seen to be largely in ad-vance of that of the elder kinds. The salt, and enough flour to make a paste York were 44,000,000 bushels, the necessity of introducing new vari- so stiff that it can be rolled out sales at the Produce Exchange were eties possessed of the vigor smoothly. Roll as thin as you do com- nearly 500,000,000 bushels. The reand hardiness of youth is self-mon pie-crust-say a quarter of an ceipts of corn were 45,000,000 bushels evident. I also experimented with a inch thick. Bake in patty pans, or in and the sales were 233,000,000 bushels. late English variety. known as the gem pans if they are good shape and In lard but little over 500,000 tierces champion, but the rust destroyed the not too deep. To keep the paste from were received at New York, and about crop when half grown, hence I did not puffing up prick it lightly, not piercing 6,000,000 tierces were sold. At the include it in the experiment mentioned clear through to the tin, and then, as New York Cotton Exchange the sales. above. Medium early varieties of po- a still greater safeguard, fill the tarts last year reached 31,000,000 bales, tatoes need to be encouraged so as to with uncooked rice; then bake. When while less than 2,000,000 bales have escape rust and early autumn frosts. cool, fill with fresh fruit or preserves, been received at that port altogether

My 1881 crop of potatoes was some- or any kind of jelly. The whites of in the last ten years,

coming up in May. This year I pro- first beat to a stiff froth with a tablepose to hoe my potatoes just as they spoonful of sugar, and put on the top of

Household Hints. To clean zinc, rub on fresh lard

Fresh fish should be fried in the

Cutlets and steaks should be fried as well as broiled, but they must be put in hot butter or lard. The grease is hot enough when it throws off a

bluish smoke. If the water in which new turnips are boiled " well salted, and is changed twice or times, the strong and disagre " or noticed in them before frest ene will almost entirely be reme

Tende: ups of new beets, if boiled and then fried in butter, make an excellent garnish or relish for roast pork or for beef. Vinegar may be added or not, as you please. Drain them well before frying.

Light cakes for breakfast or tea are made of one quart of sweet milk, three eggs beaten separately and very light, a piece of butter the size of an egg, three coffee cups of flour, a little salt. three teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Gtaher windfall apples and feed them Put the whites of the eggs in last, and

Enormous Squids. A New York correspondent had an that strange-looking marine monster, A cow cannot give a large quantity the squid, the fisherman said: "Ye by 'em. You see this little black bag? Wall, that holds ink, the sepia you knife as he went along, "connects Sting? Gosh! I thought I was struck the streams must a' shot up three feet. A successful Boston florist says that It's a queer idea, but there's a heap o' forty, fifty, sixty, yes, I'll say it-The first baitin' cruise I ever went on I came across one. They're on to a the le'ward. Strong? Why, a hoss ain't nothin' to the way them skids looking creaturs ye don't want to tackle one more'n once. Upon the east side of Newfoundland's a big place for 'em; after an easterly gale they often come ashore. But you talk about a ship

warpin' off a lee shore in a gale; them squids do jest the same thing. We put into a little cove off the coast to ride out a northeaster once, and in the morning one of the hands sighted a big white thing in the breakers. Some took it for a boat and some a halibut; anyhow, a couple of us put off in the dory, and made for it. The sea was eat all the time when confined in a workin' in right smart naow; someit seem of renewed niceness to cows was creamy white and aboaut ten or horses. We have seen a horse leave feet long, ending in an arrow-shaped point jest like o' these 'ere small ones, only abaout three feet across. The put back, he would attack it readily. eyes were as big as dinner plates, black, A friend of ours sprinkles the slight- and right aout from them were eight est bit of sugar on old hay for his pet short arms and two long ones; the first a-flyin' about all over, and the long Both the grain and straw of oats that ones like cables fast on to the rocks, are properly cured and harvested are the whole creeter swingin' by 'em. It much more valuable than when moldy didn't take us long to take this in, and and covered with rust. To cure oats the next sea put us right on top of it. well they should be cut with a cradle Four or five of the arms come a-flyin' and left in the swath a day or so, then aboard, one ketchin' my arm and takin' raked and bound up and put in small the skin off jest like a knife. Captain stacks. These should be built like a Sam was in the bow and made a hit at large stack, only of course on a small | it with the oar, but he missed and went scale; not more than 150 sheaves being over, and in a minute more we was straw will be kept bright, even through stirred up alike. I don't know how we a rain, which cannot soak in much would a' come aout if we hadn't been when the stacks are well made. When in shoal water. A big sea tossed us all

He measured over forty-five feet long,

the arms bein' as thick as my leg." The story of the old fisherman was probably no exaggeration, as squids of enormous size have been caught off the banks. One captured in Concepcion bay weighed over two thousand pounds. It attacked a boat and men. and was killed after a long struggle. Mr. Harvey, a clergyman, of Newfoundland, states that Stephen Sherring, a fisherman residing in Thimble Tickle, was out in a boat with two others. Not far from the shore they observed some bulky object, and supposing it might be a portion of a wreck, rowed toward it, and to their horror found themselves close to a huge fish having large, glassy eyes, which was making desperate efforts to escape, and churning the water into foam by the motion of its immense arms and tail. It was aground, and the steaming and beating will be found a tide was ebbing. From the funnel at ing large volumes of water, this being its method of moving backward, the force of the stream by the reaction of the surrounding medium driving it in the required direction; at times the water from the siphon was as black as ink Finding the monster partly disabled, the fishermen plucked up courage and ventured near enough to throw flukes of which, having barbed points,

The Mania for Gambling.

The New York Journal of Commerce Hebron, 202 bushels per acre. The from the fire, stir in the yolks of two discourage by either legal or moral restraints. Few people who live out favorable season of drought, and is but and strained. Serve over small dice of of the circle within which the operations are made have any just idea of

TIMELY TOPICS.

which has always been known as elly the work of human hands, lying "Washington's Oak," has been de- under so many hundred feet of undiswas beneath its shade.

An idea of the amount of gambling each case, was all "wind."

when she had made a verbal contract sons of the year and to the year. to become the wife of George W. Bishop. A writ of habeas corpus un-

place in spite of the father's objec-

A merchant of Matamoras, Mexico, president, with the view of shortening a short time ago received a threaten- the sea trip between the United States ing anonymous notice to place \$600 at and Europe. The plan is to convey pasa spot near his house. On applying to sengers by rail to a point on the eastern is also cut up by the presiding lady, the authorities he was told to do as re- coast of Newfoundland, where steamquested in the letter, and a troop of ers will be taken to a point on the soldiers would be sent to watch the western coast of Ireland, distant only money. His servant stowed the \$600 1,640 miles. It is thought that three cautiously to watch further proceedings, was shot dead by the soldiers, on seventy miles of railroad between

Pittsburg, Pa., shows the largest per | the governments of Nova Scotia and | cent. of increase in population of any sixty-two per cent. In all but five of will extend to Cape North, 120 miles and Pittsburg.

years had served as a detective of im- conveyed without change of cars to posture. During that time he offered | the port on the eastern coast of Newthe coin to one hundred and thirteen starving men, who had tried in vain to gravel from his back yard. One and line of fast steamships between Newall declined the job, though it would not have taken more than an hour. The one hundredth and fourteenth beggar accepted the offer and the dol-

foundland and Ireland.

There is still one adventurous Arctic explorer unaccounted for. His name his Leigh Smith, and he is an Englishman. He left England just one year ago in his fragile yacht, Eira, to run up and take a peep at the North pole, and has not been authentically heard from since. He expected to return last November. He had provisions for fourteen months, but was not prepared to spend six months' right amid the ice floes. He had with him a companion, Captain Loffey, of Hull, and his surgeon. The crew consisted of twenty-two men. Lieutenant Willard Young, a son of Brigham Young, is a teacher of en-

gineering at West Point. A Salt Lake correspondent says: "He was at West Point when his father's estate was being settled up, and when the litigation began his agents wrote to him to know what they should do. He replied that he didn't care about quarreling over the matter; that he had a profession that would give him a living, and that he would take what the others didn't want. So a lot of railroad stock, supposed to be nearly worthless, was assigned to him. He took it, and the development of the Territory has since made him one of the richest of the old man's heirs." He recently went to Utah on his wedding

Perhaps the most extraordinary thing about the French convict settlement of Noumea, capital of New Caledonia, is the extreme docility of the convicts. Large gangs of them pass from one part of the town to another in charge of a single gendarme, and frequently numbers may be met working in the street, with apparently not a soul to look after them. Many of them are employed in private houses as servants, returning at 9 P. M. to their prison. As a consequence of this docility they seem to be kindly treated and have a good deal of time to themselves, which they employ in various ways, such as carving on shells, etc. These shells they sell to passers-by in the streets when they think they are unobserved by the gendarmes; for, strictly speaking, they are not supposed to communicate with outsiders, but the gendarmes are not hard with in Noumea, and several thousand tracks in going to school. more are reported to be on the way regard for private rights, but without In 1880-81 the crop was 6,600,000 exception sentenced criminals.

The gold annually taken from the Siberian mines is estimated to be worth \$6,000,000. The first discovery of the metal in that country was made at the beginning of this century. The average cost of an expedition in search of gold is estimated at \$3,000. Therefore, only capitalists can indulge in the century, but that period was the most and friable once more. prosperous in the history of Siberian The yak is found in a wild as well as pound, lay 100 per annum. Houdans, mining. The labor of the serfs then a domesticated state. Formerly very 8 to the pound, lay 150 per annum;

road has been forgotten and the Kiowa | tains,

LIFE IN SIBERIA.

creek has vanished from the map, some future scientist will discover a A gigantic oak at Mount Vernon, curious piece of mechanism, undoubt- What They Eat and How They Spend Their How Wong Tung Was Laid at Rest in Time in the Far North. equally from the railroad companies possible, that the origin and history of curately described as "squatting." dustry and economy of the Menno- prognostics relating to the following around the board on either side, lying nites are proverbial. It is said that subjects are particularly desired: Pro- flat on their stomachs with their heads A company has been organized unand European Short Line Railroad dent and A. L. Blockman as viceis to keep one piece in your mouth and route. Work has already been begun comes a large piece of walrus hide, which from the Dominion government and has a small portion of blubber attached Scotia, and charters have been obtained hair can be easily scraped off, but

Canso will be crossed by bridge, and most palatable dish of the meal, and foundland, and will there take steam- appetite returns after having Captain Eyre M. Shaw, the head of the London fire department, has been my pipe needed cleaning. This was alexamining into the New York system of subduing fires. Chief Eli Bates, of ways a welcome task, for by due carefulness I could generally make it last plained the system to him, and ex- for half a day. There are usually two the New York fire department, exmeals a day in a well provided Tchousibited the various apparatus in use. ktchis-household-the breakfast, just pleased," he said, "with much that I saw to-day and at my last visit. I late in the evening. The dinner is alfast, except that there is most always to Chaquaramos bay, we did not get reindeer meat, but the first and third courses are invariable, unless changed

never did see engines get out of their most identical in form with the breakvery different from ours. Those in use some hot cooked meat that follows the there until considerably after the time in London have parts as carefully made course of walrus hide. Sometimes we had intended, there not being the as a chronometer's works; still, some of the second course at breakfast or dinyours are very fine. I don't see, how- ner may be frozen seal or ever, why you have such disastrous fires as frequently occur here. When I ask our water supply is inadequate; we control of the householder. Besides your firemen about it they say: 'Oh, haven't sufficient in force or quantity; ings are so high that often we can't rive during the day from a distance, spiring listlessness, unwilling to move, reach the fire.' Now, that is all and all present share his luncheon and well-nigh too lazy to open the box with him, and not unfrequently beat nonsense. You have a great reshim out unless he watches closely and ervoir 150 feet above your city, and you keeps himself well provided. I speak have plenty of water in it. Your apfeelingly of this matter, for so often paratus is very good, and your build. ngs do not average the height of those have I had a luncheon put before me n London or any other great European capital. Then, again, your streets are remarkably wide, and your houses are ravenous. I got over such trifling seen as fine brick and iron work here finally, and could take my place at the stand how these things are. The get at least my share of what was blame, in my opinion, does not lie with | going. your water supply, water head, apparatus or buildings, but in the Professor Ponfick, of Breslau, has organization of the force. You have no responsible head, to begin with. lately made experiments on the common Your chief is not responsible to the mushroom, of which the following are people, but to a board of commissioners, the practical results: All common and they seem to have no well-defined mushrooms are poisonous, but cooking responsibility. The discipline of the deprives them in a greater or lesser de-

men is indifferent as compared to the gree of their poisonous qualities. The

discipline of London firemen, who are repeated washing with cold water,

the most rigidly governed in the world. which they usually undergo to clean

This lack of personal responsibility, them, takes away a portion of the

however, appears to pervade all your poison and boiling does the rest; but

public offices. In London, mismanage- the water in which they have been

ment at a fire would be instantly in- boiled is highly poisonous and should

quired into and the blamable party always be carefully got rid of. Experi-

severely punished. That is one of the ments made on dogs showed that if a

of raw mushrooms it fell sick, but re-

covered: if it ate one and one-half per

cent. the poison had a more violent but

not fatal effect, and if it ate two per

was far more poisonous than even the

raw mushrooms, while the mushrooms

thus boiled could be taken without hurt

to the amount of ten per cent. of the

weight of the dog's body. Washing

with cold water does not remove all the

poison, so that mushrooms thus pre-

pared were poisonous when taken in

larger quantities. Dried mushrooms

are still dangerous for from twelve to

twenty days, and also the water in

A correspondent of the Country

Gentleman gives the standard yield and weight of eggs for the different

varieties of domestic fowl as follows:

secrets of our success in coping with dog ate one per cent. of its own weight

There are four nickel mines in the cent. it was inevitably fatal. The water United States, all of which are exceed- in which mushrooms had been boiled ingly profitable. Children living on the Hyde Park

side of Englewood, a suburb of Chithem. There are now 10,000 convicts | cago, have to cross sixty-three railroad The first appearance of cotton as an or about to start. Moreover, they are article of commerce was a shipment of not political prisoners with a decent seven bales from Charleston in 1757.

> A spring which flows five gallons of | which they have been boiled. They reink per day has been found at the foot quire to be dried for at least a whole of Hennesard mountain, Georgia. To the month and are really only safe after natural substance a little nutgall is four months' drying .- London News. added, and the fluid becomes good writing ink. It can be produced for Comparative Weight and Yield of Eggs. one cent a gallon.

Beyond the immediate neighborhood luxury of experiments. One of the of one or two towns there are no roads principal operators is said to have at all in South Africa, merely tracks spent a quarter of a million before across the surface of the "veld" (plain). finding any ore. The miners are paid In rainy weather the heavy wagon only \$3 a month, with board and lodg- traffic converts these tracks into a series according to treatment and keeping, likely to conduce to its beauty; as it The sale of liquor is forbidden of impassable mud-holes, and it be- from 80 to 100 per annum, oftentimes within twelve miles from each shaft, comes necessary to strike out a new more if kept well. Dark Brahmas, 8 cursion for many days after.—London that discipline may be maintained. The course from time to time until the sun, to the pound, and about 70 per an- Field. number of mines has largely increased since the second quarter of the present since th

cost next to nothing, though the pay little was known of the wild variety. non-sitters. La Fleche, 7 to the pound, of the workmen is now pitiably small. Nothing can be more dissimilar than lay 130 per annum; non-sitters. Black the two varieties. The wild one inhab- Spanish, 7 to the pound, lay 150 per There is now being retoid the story its the loftiest peaks, seldom venturing annum. Dominiques, 9 to the pound, of the locomotive which ran through a below the perpetual snows, except lay 130 per annum. Games, 9 to the broken bridge on the Kansas Pacific during unusually severe weather. It railway across Kiowa creek, several is a fierce brute, and has been known coeurs, 7 to the pound, lay 150 per an years ago, sinking into the mud at the to exceed sixteen hands in height. num. Leghorns, 9 to the pound, lay bottom and has never since been heard Huc records crossing a stream in from 150 to 200 per annum. Hamfrom, though repeated efforts have which a wild herd of yak had been burgs, 9 to the pound, lay 170 per anbeen made, by digging and boring, to imbedded in the ice and frozen to num. Polish, 9 to the pound, lay 150 recover so valuable a property. The death, their forms perfectly distin- per annum. Bantams, 16 to the bottom is a quicksand, and even quick- guishable through the ice. To the Tar- pound, lay 60 per annum. Turkeys, sands have limits, and it seems very tars it is a most useful animal, being eggs 5 to the pound, lay from 30 to 60 singular that the longest boring-rod employed not only for food, but as a per annum. Ducks, eggs vary greatly sunken engine. By-and-bye, the silent, ness renders it invaluable for mountain to the pound, and from 14 to 28 per mysterious operations will drain the traveling. Huc describes whole droves annum, according to age and keepquicksand and harden it into rock, with their loads on their backs sliding ing. Geese, 4 to the pound, lay 20 per and then, long after the Kansas Pacific down the frozen sides of steep moun- annum. Guineas, 11 to the pound, lay When money is tight. --- 160 per annum.

A correspondent of the New York A little group of Chinamen stood stroyed by lightning. The tree had turbed sandstone, and will use the fact Herald, describing a journey overland around an open coffin in the establishmany historic associations, and gained as a basis for calulating how many from Cape Serdge to Sradnia Kolymsk ment of Undertaker James Naughton, its name from the fact that President | million years old the human race must | says : No matter how early you may | in Mott street, on Friday morning, says Washington's favorite resting-place, be. Thus history will repeat itself, as awaken in the morning, you will, al- the New York Herald of a recent date, after the heat and labors of the day, it has often done and will continue to ways find the mistress of the household and gazed at the features of its tenant, already up-that is, her position changed | Wong Tung, a young Mongolian, who from reclining to sitting, and as soon died of consumption on Thursday. General W. B. Hazen, chief signal as she observes that you are really Wong Tung was a stranger to most of in grain may be gathered from the officer of the United States army, is awake she hands you a few small the company, and was one of the recent fact that the sales of wheat in New making a collection of the popular pieces of meat, not much, only an ounce arrivals from California, yet the mem-York, within the first quarter of 1882, weather sayings, proverbs and prog- or two, perhaps, but it steadies your bers of the little Chinese colony in Mott amounted to 202,500,000 bushels, while nostics used throughout the country nerves till breakfast-time—that is until street, with a spirit of charity which the total receipts in that market, in the total receipts in that market, in the same time, were only 8,921,666 including Indians, negroes and all fortinto an adjoining apartment, which is so-called Christians who hoot at them in bushels. Of corn the sales were 72,- eigners. In order to facilitate this merely an inclosure to keep the the streets, had subscribed money 036,000 bushels, and but 2,599,884 work it is requested that all persons dogs away from the household enough to give their dead countrybushels were received. The excess, in acquainted with any such sayings, stores, and after fifteen or man a handsome coffin and a proverbs or prognostics will kindly lend twenty minutes of pounding and decent burial. After the solemn-visaged their assistance by sending the same in | chopping returns with the breakfast. | group had surveyed the remains for a The Mennonite communities in Kan- a short note to Sergeant James B. A large, flat, wooden tray is placed on few moments in silence they removed sas are prospering. About 15,000 of Newlin, signal corps, United States the floor, and the landlady, dropping the clothing from the dead Mongol and these Russians own nearly 200,000 army, National bank building, Cleve- on her clothes, takes her position at incased him in a new blue "sue," acres. This property was purchased land. It is also requested, when one end, a position inelegantly but ac- pantaloons and Chinese shoes, and put upon his head a finely spun hair cap. and from the government. The in- the saying be given. Proverbs and The family and their guests gather A package of rice and fruits was deposited in the coffin. One of the party took a wooden comb and holding some of them are worth from \$8,000 to verbs relating to the sun, to toward the breakfast and their feet over the coffin broke it in two, letting the \$10,000, though a few years ago they the moon, to stars and meteors, to rain- out, so that a bird's-eye view of the pieces fall upon the body. At the same could claim only a few hundreds. The bows, to mist and fog, to dew, to table and guests would look something time he hurriedly uttered a Chinese wheat farms are bringing them a large clouds, to frost, to snow, to rain, to like an immense beetle. The first prayer and turned his back to the corpse time he hurriedly uttered a Chinese thunder and lightning and to wind; course is some frozen weeds mixed as though frightened at what he had prognostics from the actions of ani- with seal oil and eaten with small por- done. A pack of cards used in the The right of a woman past the age mals, from the actions of birds, from tions of fresh blubber, which the lady Chinese game of "hi ki" was placed of twenty-one years to marry whom fish, from reptiles, from insects, from of the house cuts with a large chop- upon the shoulder of the dead man and she pleases has just been vindicated in trees, plants, etc., and prognostics of ping-knife. The approved method of the highest card in the pack was drawn Missouri. The father of Laura Robbs, the weather drawn from various ob- eating this food is to take a piece of out and thrown upon his breast-a aged twenty-seven, attempted to hold jects; proverbs relating to days of the the blubber and place it somewhere signal of triumph. At noon the her to continual service in the paternal | week (weather and agricultural rules), on the pile of weeds and then | coffin was placed in a hearse and conhome by locking her up in a room to each month of the year, to the sea- press as much as you can gather veyed to No. 19 Mott street, where between your thumb and the three two carriage loads of Chinamen fell adjoining fingers into a mass, which into line and ar express wagon conwill, if you are lucky, stick together | taining the clothes of the dead man and locked the door, and the marriage took der the name of the Great American until you get it into your mouth. a box of Chinese prayer papers brought The man with the biggest thumb has up the rear. A Chinaman sat on the company, with Norvin Green as presiwhom I saw further up the coast, who as the funeral procession started away had lost his right hand and the thumb he began to throw slips of paper to the of his left, had to be fed by his wife. right and left. This is done according The next course is walrus meat. This to the Chinese superstition that the devil, having his attention attracted, and is served with no stinting hand. stops to pick up the papers and cannot At this portion of the meal the one overtake the hearse. There were who can swallow the largest piece enough fragments of paper flying in without chewing has the advantage, the air to keep his satanic majesty quite in the designated place, and returning or four days will be saved by this and the only way to get even with him busy, although the passing spectators were astonished at the sight. The retwo in your hand all the time. After this | mains were taken to a plot in the Everwhom he found in the act of dividing Oxford and New Glasgow, in Novia jointhas been thoroughly discussed there greens cemetery, which was recently in Newburg and presented to the to it and the hair still on the out- Chinese club. The coffin was lowered Newfoundland. The route will side. When the meat is rotten the into the grave and the mourners scattered rice and fragments of chicken to 1880, being over 100,000 people, or New York by way of Boston, Bangor otherwise it is eaten with the rest of alongside of it. When the grave was the hide. This hide is about an inch closed up the clothing of the dead next with an increase of seventy-two ford, Novia Scotia, thence to New Glasper cent, Chicago third, with an in- gow, and from there by the Halifax solutely impossible to chew it, or burned. Handfuls of red paper slips, crease of sixty-eight per cent, and Miland Cape Breton railroad to the Strait rather to affect it by chewing. Even each one bearing a prayer in Chinese waukee fourth, with an increase of of Canso. From this point the line the dogs will chew perhaps for half a characters, were thrown into the flames, the twenty largest cities females pre- distant; across the narrows of the Gulf hanging from a bag of meat and fail "Joss" sticks in their hands and mutdominate. The exceptions are Chicago, of St. Lawrence, fifty-six miles, by St. Louis, San Francisco, Cleveland steamer, and then across Newfoundland, 520 miles, by rail. The Strait of and finishes the meal. It is really the group of heathers charitably burying their dead brother in a Christian ceme-The pastor of St. Chrysostom's that, as well as the road to Cape North furnishes something for the stomach to tery and breathing prayers to Lord Budchurch, Philadelphia, lately parted and the road across Newfoundland, is with a cilver dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar which for the beautiful Besser con will be solved dellar with the marble cross of Christenwith a silver dollar which for two yet to be built. Passengers will be tention till the following meal, but it dom uprearing itself upon all sides. No is digested, and how soon one's mourners were sufficient proof of their earnestness. Finally the flames burned ship for Ireland. The terminus in Irein the mound. The party then placed a stories, if they would remove a heap of It is a part of the plan to run a daily storms or some notion of Wank- small board inscribed with Chinese hieforced to lie over on account of roglyphics at the head of the grave in lieu of a headstone and retired, leaving to read, it seemed to me that all I did was to lie on my back and watch for in- a heap of smoking ashes and a dozen burning "Joss" sticks as testimony that, dications of the next meal. It was all there was to break the monotony, unless | whatever faults Wong Tung might have had, he lived faithful to his re-

> In the mornings and evenings the an early start on our oyster expedition

enth Heaven."

and the men having to use their oars the whole of the way. It was a splendid morning, but far too hot to be by force of circumstances beyond the | agreeable, and the glare from the motionless sea was almost intolerable, and these two meals there is always a sim- | we lay back in the stern, puffing at our ilar service to any guest who may ar- cigars and pipes in a state of perof sawdust in which was buried a needful supply of ice, with a few packed around it, which we had brought with us to help us on our way. and devoured by those who had per- and which, with the judicious addition haps just finished a meal, while I po- of a little brandy, were absolutely litely lingered so as not too appear too | necessary under the circumstances, while the negro boatmen, to whom the heat was nothing, tugged away at the oars bareheaded. A few pelicans floating on the water were the only living things we saw, with the exception of the man-of-war bird, high up above, gliding about in the cloudless sky, now and then remaining motioness, without any perceptible movement of its sharp, angular wings, and finally sailing majestically toward the Venezuelan coast. It was getting toward mid-day before we reached the bay, and I was glad our journey was ended. It is a little shallow bay; with a beach of white sand, and fringed to the water's edge with mangrove bushes. These bushes are literally covered with oysters; the twigs and branches were thick with them, not singly, but in clumps, the shells overlapping and fitting one into the other in a compact mass. These oysters are very small, varying in size from a half-dollar to sixpenny piece, and although opening such little things was tedious work, yet still when it was done the trouble was well repaid, as they were remarkably fine flavored. We set the men to work, and kept them hard at it, while we enjoyed a feast, having our hands sufficiently cut and scratched in breaking them off the trees. It is, perhaps, not difficult to imagine how they got to the low branches of the mangroves overhanging dan dipping into the water, but how they got to those at the top, at such a height above the surface, is not so easy to account for, nor do I remember at this moment any explanation being given in any work where the oyster tree has been mentioned. Before coming away we pulled off a large quantity of the branches, and, breaking them up, stowed them away in the boat until we had a good load to take back to the island. Considerable cau-

chins, eggs 7 to the pound; they lay, ing against one's face, would not be was, our hands bore traces of our ex-How the Zulu King Dressed in England. The attire worn by Cetywayo on annum. Plymouth Rocks, 8 to the special occasions is the undress uniform of a general—a dark blue frock coat, braided and frogged scarlet. heavily fringed with gold and ooped with a button, and a peaked cap with gold braid and top button. The trousers are a similar material to the coat. The quantity of cloth may be imagined when it is stated that the exking measures sixty inches round the hips and forty-six inches round the waist. It may also be said, in order to satisfy the curious ones, that Cetywayo's new boots are twelve inches in length, four inches across the sole, three inches across the heel, and 111 inches across the instep. Outfits were inclosed in singular that the longest boring-rod employed not only for food, but as a per annum. Ducks, eggs vary greatly has failed to find any trace of the beast of burden, and its sure-footed-with different species, but from 5 to 6 words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and from 14 to 28 per words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and from 14 to 28 per words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and from 14 to 28 per words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and from 14 to 28 per words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and from 14 to 28 per words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and from 14 to 28 per words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and from 14 to 28 per words, "Ex-King Cetywayo, passenger" to the round and the round to England."

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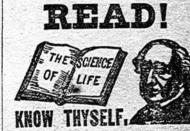
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